

Final \_ Meeting Minutes WEDC Strategic Planning Sub-Committee  
Date 06/06/2014

Members in attendance:

Ed Gallagher (Chair)  
Charles Roberts  
Michelle Farrell  
Jim Coburn

Ed Gallagher called meeting to order at 8:40

Jim Coburn provided modified updated draft of existing strategic plan (2011)  
Charles Roberts also presented his updated version.

Members discussed edits and discussed major themes including quality of life aspect, target marketing desired businesses and sectors and discussed language to be more inclusive of public sentiments vision for development.

Action – members will review both copies further and Joel Desilets will attempt to provide a merged version that incorporates best of both and elements from the team’s discussion for review at next meeting.

Ed Gallagher discussed getting better cadence on meeting times which will be first and third Fridays of the month and meeting time will be moved to 8:00am to accommodate member requests.

Ed Gallagher suggested we add a vice chair to committee and Charles Roberts nominated Jim Coburn, seconded by Michelle Farrell. Vote 4-0 approved

Members answered questions from audience member

Joel Desilets participated as WEDC committee member but was noted would need to be formally voted to the sub committee to be a voting member.

Discussion ensued about existing Master plan and how our committee’s work could help serve as strategic planning input to the work the Planning board is doing on master plan.

Action: Members asked to review existing master plan language on economic development and Ed Gallagher noted the link to the plan was distributed to members.

Motion to adjourn made by Jim Coburn, seconded by Charles Roberts Vote 4-0  
Meeting adjourned at 9:40

Respectfully submitted by Ed Gallagher